

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The office action of June 16, 2008 has been carefully reviewed and these remarks are responsive thereto. Reconsideration and allowance of the instant application are respectfully requested. Claims 19, 20, 23 and 42 are pending. Claims 1-18, 21, 22, 24-41 are canceled. Claim 42 is new.

Rejection of the Claims

Claims 19, 21, and 23 stand rejected as the specification is not enabling for the term prodrug. Claim 19 has been amended to delete the term prodrug. Withdrawal of this rejection is requested.

Claim 21 stands rejected as indefinite. Claim 21 refers to Table 1, but the Office Action considers that all of the compounds listed in Table 1 are not within the scope of claim 19. Claim 19 has been rewritten as new claim 42 and lists all of the compounds from Table 1 that fall within the scope of claim 1. The Examples that were not included in claim 42 are the following: 10, 20-22, 38, 41, 45-47, 54, 59, 64, 66, 67, 71, 72, 75, 78-82, 85-86, 89, 90, 97, 99-101, 106, 107, 113-117, 130-132, 136, 137, 163, and 177. Withdrawal of this rejection is requested.

CONCLUSION

All rejections having been addressed, applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance, and respectfully solicit prompt notification of the same.

Respectfully submitted,
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